

**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**

*Application Number:* 10/619,677  
*Filing Date:* July 15, 2003  
*First Named Inventor:* Jessica LeMay  
*Group Art Unit:* 3761  
*Examiner Name:* Jacqueline F. Stephens  
*Attorney Docket Number:* 460.2242USQ  
*CUSTOMER NO.:* 67,519

Submission (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,

Provides for continued examination of a utility or plant

Application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA)

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**Note:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 153 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (August 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (March 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

a. \_\_\_\_\_ Previously submitted

i. \_\_\_\_\_ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_ (any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

ii. \_\_\_\_\_ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed filed on \_\_\_\_\_

iii. \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

b. **XXXXX** Enclosed

i. **XXXXX** Amendment with transmittal

ii. \_\_\_\_\_ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. **XXXXX** Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) and PTO-1449

iv. \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

2. **Miscellaneous**

a. \_\_\_\_\_ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required)

b. \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. **Fees** The RCE fee Under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a. **XXXXX** The Director is hereby authorized to charge the fee of \$790.00, any deficiency in fees, or credit any overpayments to **Deposit Account No. 162-127 in the name of Playtex Products, Inc.** The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, if needed to Deposit Acct. No.: 01-0467.

i. **XXXXX** RCE fee (\$790.00) required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e)

ii. \_\_\_\_\_ Extension of Time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)

iii. \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

b. \_\_\_\_\_ Check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed

c. \_\_\_\_\_ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

August 1, 2007

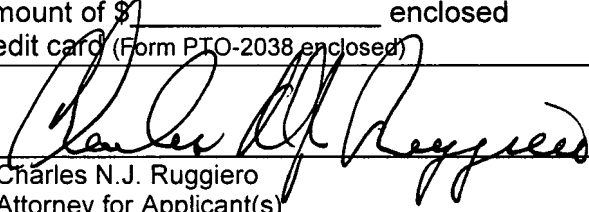
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**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): LeMay et al.  
Serial No.: 10/619,677  
For: A BARREL FOR A TAMPON APPLICATOR ASSEMBLY AND METHODS OF FORMING  
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**Mail Stop RCE  
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Dear Sir:

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL**

We are enclosing an Amendment accompanied by an RCE, an Information Disclosure Statement and a PTO-1449 in response to the communication dated June 1, 2007 in the above-identified application.

Petition for extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.137 is hereby made if, and to the extent, required. The fee for this extension of time is calculated to be \$\_\_\_\_\_ to extend the time for filing this response until \_\_\_\_\_.

The fee for any change in number of claims has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	
Total Claims	16	Minus	27	0	x \$50.00	\$
Independent Claims	2	Minus	3	0	x \$200.00	\$
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE				x \$360.00 = \$		
TOTAL FEE FOR CLAIM CHANGES				\$0.00		
1/2 FILING FEE FOR SMALL ENTITY				\$N/A		

The total fee for this amendment, including claim changes and any extension of time is calculated to be \$790.00.

\_\_\_ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is attached.

X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee of \$790.00, any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required with this communication or during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to **Deposit Account No. 162-127 in the name of Playtex Products, Inc.** The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee, if needed to Deposit Account No.: 01-0467. A duplicate copy of this Form is enclosed.

August 1, 2007

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